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Record Votes: Eight record votes were taken today. (Total—144) **Pages S3228–29, S3235–36**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:21 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 6, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3268.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEFENSE INNOVATION AND RESEARCH FUNDING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a closed hearing to examine defense innovation and research funding, after receiving testimony from Michael D. Griffin, Under Secretary for Research and Engineering, and Steven H. Walker, Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, both of the Department of Defense.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Thomas Peter Feddo, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Investment Security, Nazak Nikakhtar, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Industry and Security, and Ian Paul Steff, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, both of the Department of Commerce, Michelle Bowman, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Paul Shmotolokha, of Washington, to be First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and Allison Herren Lee, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

STATE OF THE TELEVISION AND VIDEO MARKETPLACE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the state of the television and video marketplace, after receiving testimony from Michael K. Powell, NCTA—The Internet and Television Association, Gordon H. Smith, National Association of Broadcasters, and Craig Aaron, Free Press Action, all of Washington, D.C.; and David Kenny, Nielsen, New York, New York.

NOMINATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Robert Wallace, of Wyoming, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Enzi and Barrasso, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

THREATS TO TAXPAYER-FUNDED RESEARCH

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine foreign threats to taxpayer-funded research, focusing on oversight opportunities and policy solutions, after receiving testimony from Captain Michael Schmoyer, Public Health Service, Assistant Deputy Secretary for National Security, Director, Office of National Security, Lawrence A. Tabak, Principal Deputy Director, National Institutes of Health, and Leslie W. Hollie, Chief of Investigative Operations, Office of Inspector General, all of the Department of Health and Human Services; Louis A. Rodi III, Acting Assistant Director, National Security Investigations Division, Homeland Security Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; and Joe W. Gray, Oregon Health and Science University Knight Cancer Institute, Portland.

30 YEARS AFTER TIANANMEN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine 30 years after Tiananmen, focusing on rule by fear, after receiving testimony from Xiao Qiang, China Digital Times, Berkeley, California; Sophie Richardson, Human Rights Watch, New York, New York; and Christopher Walker, National Endowment for Democracy, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Peter Joseph Phipps, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, William Shaw Stickman IV, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and Jennifer Philpott Wilson, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, who were introduced by Senators Casey and Toomey, and Charles R. Eskridge III, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

STATE OF PATENT ELIGIBILITY IN AMERICA

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Intellectual Property concluded a hearing to examine the state of patent eligibility in America, after receiving testimony from Barbara A. Fiacco, American Intellectual Property Law Association, Arlington, Virginia; Scott Partridge, American Bar Association, Houston, Texas; Henry Hadad, Intellectual Property Owners Association, Princeton, New Jersey; David Jones, High Tech Inventors Alliance, Stephanie Martz, National Retail Federation, on behalf of United for Patent Reform, William Jenks, The Internet Association, Christopher A. Mohr, Software and Information Industry Association, Jeffrey K. Francer, Association for Accessible Medicines, Hans Sauer, Biotechnology Innovation Organization, and

Natalie Derzko, Covington and Burling LLP, on behalf of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America, all of Washington, D.C.; Paul Morinville, US Inventor, Inc., Highland, Indiana; Philip S. Johnson, Coalition for 21st Century Patent Reform, New Brunswick, New Jersey; Jeffrey A. Birchak, Fallbrook Technologies, Inc., Austin, Texas, on behalf of the Innovation Alliance; Rick Brandon, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, on behalf of the Association of American Universities; and Kate Ruane, American Civil Liberties Union, New York, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of James Byrne, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 51 public bills, H.R. 3100–3150; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 427–429, were introduced. **Pages H4341–43**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H4345**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 1595, to create protections for depository institutions that provide financial services to cannabis-related legitimate businesses and service providers for such businesses, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–104, Part 1). **Page H4341**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Coastal and Ocean Acidification Stressors and Threats Research Act of 2019: H.R. 1237, amended, to amend the Federal Ocean Acidification Research and Monitoring Act of 2009 to establish an Ocean Acidification Advisory Board, to expand and improve the research on Ocean Acidification and Coastal Acidification, to establish and maintain a data archive system for Ocean Acidification data and Coastal Acidification data; **Pages H4318–25**

Coastal Communities Ocean Acidification Act of 2019: H.R. 1716, amended, to direct the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, to conduct coastal community vulnerability assessments related to ocean acidification; **Pages H4325–27**

Ocean Acidification Innovation Act of 2019: H.R. 1921, amended, to authorize Federal agencies to establish prize competitions for innovation or adaptation management development relating to ocean acidification, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 395 yeas to 22 nays, Roll No. 241; and **Pages H4327–29, H4331–32**

National Estuaries and Acidification Research Act of 2019: H.R. 988, amended, to provide for a study by the Ocean Studies Board of the National Academies of Science examining the impact of ocean acidification and other stressors in estuarine environments; **Pages H4329–31**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To provide for a study by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine examining the impact of ocean acidification and other stressors in estuarine environments.” **Page H4331**

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. tomorrow, June 6th, and further when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, June 10th, and that the order of the House of January 3, 2019, regarding morning-hour debate not apply on that day. **Page H4337**

Senate Referral: S. 1235 was held at the desk.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H4329.